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MEMORANDUM

TO: P - Mr. Barrett  
FROM: PSB - W. P. Davison

1. Here is a suggested press release for use by the new PSB. It has been seen by Mr. Oechsner and discussed with members of the IFIS staff.
2. The following points may be controversial:
  - a. The first paragraph speaks of "strengthen the world forces of democracy in their struggle with communist aggression." This may be objectionable to the Geographic Bureaus, but I think it is important both to assure NATO countries that they are not the chief target, and also to make clear here at home that the government has its eye on the principal problem.
  - b. I have dodged the question of a name for the existing PSB in the first paragraph of the second page. If there is a rush for this release there will be no time to push through a new official name, and the use of lower case may avoid the question.
  - c. The last two paragraphs on the second page are pure guess-work. If the new Board wishes to interpret its function differently, these paragraphs will of course have to be changed.

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cc: Mr. Sargeant  
Mr. Phillips  
Mrs. Curran

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